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BIG NEWS FOR THE NATION

THE United States of America, the greatest nation in the world, is to be congratulated today upon having taken the step that will make it still a greater nation. Ratification of the suffrage amendment by the Tennessee legislature today, gives women the right to vote. It is big news for our country. Into the politics and the public business of this country comes a new and mighty influence for right thinking, clean methods and right acting, as the voices of 24,000,000 women are heard not only in the homes but in the public councils of the nation.

The women of the United States also are to be congratulated in having come at last into a right which in justice should have been theirs for many years.

THE LEGISLATURE

WHILE the governorship is an important factor in determining whether or not New Mexico shall have good government and efficient business management there is another factor, equally important and perhaps more important, which must not be overlooked in the press of interest in the national election and in the contest over the election of state officers. This other factor is, of course, the legislature. It has been our practice in past years to overlook the matter of legislative nominees until the last minute before county and district conventions, when, since the people have expressed no preferences and no candidates have come forward, legislative nominees of both parties are usually picked by political committees and convention managers. Usually these nominees are picked with a first attention to their ability as vote getters. It is not infrequently happens that a man who is a very competent vote getter and election worker, is a mighty poor legislator. This is especially true of the professional, or semi-professional vote getter who is bound to look upon an election to the legislature as a reward for political work.

Now as a matter of financial reward an election to the New Mexico legislature is not much of a reward. The pay of a legislator is about that of a section hand. It is not as good a wage as is paid to a hoodlumper. The financial reward does not attract men of ability. Men of ability who make the race for the legislature do so at a sacrifice of time, money, convenience and effort and at the risk of campaign abuse and criticism of their acts if elected.

But it is these men of ability; business men; level-headed men; men of independence and courage who are needed in the state legislature. The need of men of this type grows stronger with every session, and as the operation of the state government grows more complicated and difficult.

The whole question of the state's taxation system is coming before the next legislature; not only the taxing of mines but the valuation of every other class of property; livestock, business property, town lots, farms, everything will be dealt with by the special revenue commission which Larrazolo has appointed under an act of the special legislative session. The hearings this commission is now holding in Santa Fe are developing important information and proving the necessity for reforms far more comprehensive than the superficial promises Larrazolo is using as part of his made-to-order platform on which to run for a renomination.

We need competent men to deal with these taxation questions. It does not matter particularly whether they are republicans or democrats, but it does matter that they be not controlled by any influence other than their own sound judgment and the best interests of the state and that they have the courage to back their judgment.

If we have sound the disposition of the people of New Mexico accurately, we venture to forecast for the benefit of those who are influential in nominating conventions during the next few weeks, that in choosing legislative members this year, the people are going to vote for men first and for the party label as a consideration entirely secondary to ability. Convention managers and ticket makers will do well to have this in mind. It applies with equal force to both political parties.

Here in Bernalillo county we have squarely before us an issue of importance with relation to the legislature to determine. This county is so strongly republican that it will in all probability elect the republican legislative nominees. We must determine whether or not we will permit Frank A. Hubbell to pick these legislative members for us. If Mr. Hubbell wins his fight in behalf of the Larrazolo-Hubbell-Magee-Elfege Baca gubernatorial enterprise he will be the man who will choose your members of the next state legislature.

PARDON US, GOVERNOR!

YESTERDAY Governor Larrazolo issued, through his personal organ, the Morning Journal, a carefully prepared letter containing a challenge to several people to meet the executive in debate in Albuquerque next Monday night. Among these challenged are the manager and the editor of The Herald. For these two The Herald hastens to decline the challenge.

Should we receive personal communications from Governor Larrazolo extending this challenge we will reply thereto by letter. But since the governor refused to admit a Herald reporter to the presence Monday, we assume he will continue to fling his challenge to us through his personal newspaper organ.

In the meantime we can only say, with the utmost courtesy, "Pardon us, governor."

We recognize that Larrazolo is a facile speaker and a brilliant orator. These are the qualities which have kept his head above the political waters for years. He has a gift of glib eloquence which is effective in its appeal to prejudice of the most harmful kind to the welfare of this state and all its people. That is about all he has.

So far as The Herald is concerned we have stated the case against Governor Larrazolo quite fully and definitely. We shall state that case again, prior to the republican state convention. We can be much more definite and specific in print in this page than we could hope to be upon the platform. We have no gift of oratory; no eloquence in spreading dangerous prejudices; no facile flow of the spoken word. But when an official's public record is as plainly written and is as plainly wrong as that of Larrazolo we can print the facts concerning that record. It is then up to Governor Larrazolo to refute the record if he can. We will print his spoken words in his own defense as carefully and in as much detail as is possible. We shall then make such comment thereon as may seem necessary to keep the public fully informed as to the facts.

Governor Larrazolo is welcome to come to Albuquerque and debate to his heart's content, at meetings arranged for him by Mr. Hubbell and advertised by Mr. Magee.

We venture to suggest that among the things Governor Larrazolo should explain to the people when next he visits us, are the specific reasons for his more than four score pardons, by which he has

Third Party Stuff



liberated from the state prison that number of persons convicted of various crimes by New Mexico juries and sentenced by New Mexico courts. That record as it stands, of itself alone, makes it impossible for the people of New Mexico to elect Larrazolo governor again, unless he can give the people evidence that he was right and juries and courts were wrong with regard to these criminals.

When the governor has explained the pardon record we will present for his consideration in debate, other phases of his record which demand public and entirely satisfactory explanation before he has a right to ask a renomination from the republican party, or a re-election by the people.

So long as this record stands without satisfactory explanation and complete justification it will discount every phase of insinuation, every form of personal abuse, every trick of evasion of the real issue which Larrazolo and his henchmen may seek to use in the form of attack upon The Herald.

Governor Larrazolo is running for renomination and reelection. Let him prove that he is worthy. We hold that his record proves him unworthy.

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE BALL

IN the meantime, voters of Bernalillo county, keep your eye on the main issues at stake here at home within the next few days. Larrazolo, with the whole state as his field, is devoting almost his whole time and attention to Bernalillo county in a desperate effort to aid Hubbell and Magee to capture the Bernalillo county republican convention. The Larrazolo-Hubbell-Magee forces hope to capture the meeting of the republican county committee tomorrow. Their plans are laid with great care to capture the primaries. They hope to win the convention.

Should this be the case; should Larrazolo, Hubbell and Magee win this county convention, you, the republicans of Bernalillo county, will have to sit by and see a Larrazolo delegation represent you in the state convention. You will see Hubbell reinstated as the boss of this county; as the man whose organization will choose your legislative candidates and your county ticket.

During the next few days Larrazolo and his newspaper organ, the Journal, will undertake to distract your attention from the main issue by attacks upon The Herald. The Herald can stand it. Just keep before you the main issue, which you alone can determine as you see fit. The issue is whether or not you wish to endorse Larrazolo for governor again and have your vote cast for his nomination in the republican state convention here on September 7; and whether or not you wish Hubbell restored as your county boss.

Remember, also, that while Larrazolo on the platform and through his newspaper spokesman, and Magee, through his lofty editorial utterances are keeping up the smoke screen of attacks upon The Herald, that Hubbell is working as he has not worked before to capture delegates to the county convention.

The Herald will take care of itself. You men who will decide this issue have only to remember to take your part in the primaries when they are called; cast your ballots as your judgment and your conscience dictate—and see that those ballots are fairly counted. That is the real issue right now. Keep your eye on the ball.

SOLOS By The SECOND FIDDLE

IT has been suggested that instead of putting Secundino Romero to the trouble of a long journey to Albuquerque, Governor Larrazolo meet him in debate in San Miguel county, the home county of both.

Also it is intimated that his challenge to Ed M. Otero might well be made to place the debate in Valencia county.

THE REAL debate between Larrazolo and these gentlemen will come in these counties in any event, and not in Albuquerque.

THE LARAZOLO pardon record is one of those "minor details" which the Morning Journal thinks should be overlooked by the people while they permit Hubbell and Magee to put over his renomination.

WE HAVE A Grievance. We are being boycotted by the news. It's an outrage. We resent it. Governor Larrazolo comes to town. His official publicity representative refuses the official presence to a Herald reporter. We cannot get near the Hotel Combar throne room. The Morning Journal grabs off all the first hand executive challenges to joint debates and things. Now what do you think of that?

MR. MAGEE says his plattitudinaria must take definite shape in caucuses, primaries and convention. They must. His idea is for everybody to lay off and let their taste form in Larrazolo caucuses, Hubbell primaries and a nice little personally biased convention which will permit Larrazolo to grab the delegation and Hubbell to grab the county. It's perfectly simple if you "suckers" will just stand while you're being tied.

SUPPOSE NEW MEXICO should be given Villa for trial? What would be the use? Remember the Villistas who were pardoned by Larrazolo?

PROFESSOR MEDBURY, who predicts 75-cent gasoline within two years is sure idea of a real cheerful person.

GOVERNOR CON denied he had asked North Carolina legislators not to ratify woman suffrage, just before the unfortunate moment when North Carolina legislature refused to ratify.

AS IT LOOKS TO ME THE INSPECTOR

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 18.—"Fighting Quaker," as applied to Mitchell Palmer, has been paraphrased by a western war into "Quitting Quaker."

It is difficult to believe but it is a fact that today there is no boat running on the historic James river between Norfolk and Richmond. For years the Old Dominion Line ran a steamer but this spring it was taken off. The only explanation given by the company is their inability to meet the through-railway rates.

It is worth noting perhaps that the success of the railroad in killing this particular water transportation dates from the taking over of the railroads by private ownership.

The last two and a half pages of Bob Miner's story in the August Liberator on the Wars of West Virginia is one of the most graphic and vivid bits of descriptive writing that has appeared in these times. It is a moving picture of the shooting affray between the Baldwin-Felts coal mine guards and the Hatfield and his posse, in which seven detectives were killed and four of the miners killed or wounded. I will guarantee it to produce a bigger thrill than a William Hart film—Get it and read it.

Speaking of good pieces of work, there is an excellent job done in the current number of the Searchlight by Lynn Haines and Henry Raymond. Mussey entitled "The Official Truth About Harding." It is Harding's official record on all important subjects.

Interest charges on the present debts of the world amount to \$9,000,000,000 a year.

Music By a Poet

WHAT is the use
 To spend twenty bucks
 ON a pair of shoes?
 I went to a store
 AND got me a pair
 WITH the picture
 OF an old bald-headed man
 WHO told me the price him-
 self.

IT'S stamped on the sole—
 AND they are surely some
 clumsy kicks.
 THEY showed me
 ALL kinds of styles and lasts
 IN black and brown.
 IN kid and calf and kangaroo.
 AND by buying those kicks
 I saved ten bucks.

AND where in Albuquerque
 DO you get those shoes?
 WHAT brand are they?
 WHY, don't you know?
 OLD Baldy's name is
 W. L. DOUGLAS.

HE makes the best fitting
 I ever wore.
 AND just think of it,
 I can't wear 'em out.
 I got 'em at the store of fame
 KAHN'S FASHION SHOP
 IN the name
 220 WEST CENTRAL.

AND I swear
 I always will wear
 AS sure as footstep goes a
 rhyme,
 W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES.

BRITAIN REDUCES GOVERNMENT STAFF

LONDON — Government departments are cutting the number of employees about 10,000 a month but there are still about 350,000 on the British official payroll.

One area of shale on the Colorado-Utah boundary is estimated to contain 36,000,000,000 barrels of oil.

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